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Weekly Black Sea Bass Quota Report (No. 44)

Black Sea Bass Landings and Commercial Quota (Pounds) for Quarter IV
(Oct-Dec1999).

State	Late Entries	Week Ending 06-NOV-99	Period Cumulative Total (to date)	1999 Quarter IV Quota	Percent Landed
ME	0	0	0		
NH	0	0	0		
MA	89,037	2,163	106,945		
RI	461	2,469	12,345		
CT	2	123	317		
NY	2,810	1,857	15,627		
NJ	300	3,521	33,286		
DE	771	273	9,753		
MD	1,598	2,174	50,518		
VA	231	9,862	71,756		
NC	0	1,687	2,268		
TOTAL	95,210	24,129	302,815	598,043	50.6

Notes:

The current federal trip limit on black sea bass is 4,000 lbs.

Landings in this report include black sea bass landings from the week ending October 2,1999, therefore, some landings may be from the Quota III quota period. These landings will be separated into their respective quota periods at a later date at which time the landings data for each quota period will be adjusted accordingly.

Negative late entries are the result of corrections to the database.

For the week ending **06-NOV-99**, 197 dealers held a federal black sea bass permit. Of those 197 dealers, 156 (79%) have submitted a weekly quota report for the current reporting week. Because Massachusetts dealers submit weekly quota reports directly to the state, they were not included in these calculations.

These data are the best available to NMFS when this report was compiled. Data are supplied to NMFS by dealers and/or state agencies and may be preliminary.

The following summary is updated as information is received, and may not reflect recent state actions. Readers are urged to contact the appropriate state agency for further information.

State Information on Black Sea Bass

- This table is to be used for informational purposes only, and should not be relied on for state regulations. That information should be attained directly from the individual states.

State/ Commonwealth	Closure status	Trip/Possession Limits (pounds)	Other Provisions/ Pending Changes	State Contact
Maine				Kerry Lyons 207-633-9510
New Hampshire				603-868-1095
Massachusetts		1,000 lbs trip limit		Dave Pierce 617-727-3193
Rhode Island		Effective 10/1/99 the possession limit is 4,000 lbs		Jenifer Temple 401-222-3075 401-789-3094
Connecticut				Colleen Giannini 860-434-6043
New York				John Mason 516-444-0453
New Jersey				Tom McCloy 609-292-2083
Delaware				Rick Cole 302-739-4782
Maryland				Harley Speir 410-260-8303
Virginia				Lewis Gillingham 757-247-2243
North Carolina				Fentress "Red" Munden, 919-726-7021